

Closing curbs sought for chemical landfill

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The Citizens Committee to Close Kin-Buc lays five conditions which will safeguard the environment must be included in any agreement reached by state authorities and landfill officials on closing the Edison chemical dumping ground.

The committee says the five conditions will "bring about the strict enforcement of existing environmental regulations."

The committee, in a statement released from its Edison headquarters, said the state and not Kin-Buc, which is owned and operated by Scientific Inc. of Scotch Plains, should assume full responsibility for a groundwater monitoring system of the Farrington Sands water supply aquifer.

The citizen group also said Kin-Buc should be required to post a performance bond totaling more than the cost of physical improvements and a bond covering a period from 20 to 50 years to ensure money would be available to correct any future adverse environmental hazards.

Dumping hours during a 90-day phasing out period should be restricted to 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the citizen group said.

An independent engineering firm should be hired by the state to certify the closing plan is properly being implemented, the group said.

The committee also asked that a public presentation should be made in Edison detailing the final

agreement reached between Kin-Buc, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Public Utilities Commission.

A compromise plan to close the dump is expected to be achieved tomorrow at a joint PUC-DEP hearing in Newark.